Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Monday 18 Sep 2023 until 23:59 on Tuesday 19 Sep 2023

Forecast Issued on Sunday 17 Sep 2023 at 15:33 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a changeable few days in the hills. It will be windy at times with showers or longer spells of rain and feeling cold. Also some brief windows of drier, brighter, less windy weather.

Headline for Monday 18 Sep 2023: Cloudy, wet at first. Drier, brighter late morning and afternoon with strengthening winds on the tops and feeling cold.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 18 Sep 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Sunny intervals	Drizzle	Drizzle	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
40%	50%	60%	40%	20%	40%	30%	20%

Forecast for Monday 18 Sep 2023

Weather: Cloudy with rain becoming persistent and heavy for a time later tonight and first part of morning. Rain clearing eastwards later in morning with drier, brighter weather following later in morning and for afternoon with passing showers.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Little chance first part of morning, improving 70% later in morning.

Low Cloud and visibility: Very misty conditions first part of morning with poor visibility as heavier rain passes by. Also extensive cloud cover well down the hills. Visibility will improve very good from the west later in morning with clouds lifting and breaking up.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	31/39 SE	29/36 SE	10/13 SW	16/20 W	22/30 W	25/33 W	24/31 SW	26/34 SW	29/38 SW
900	22/30 SE	19/25 SE	10/13 SW	11/16 W	16/23 W	21/29 W	17/25 SW	19/27 SW	21/29 SW
600	25/31 SE	18/22 SE	12/15 S	14/18 SW	17/24 W	21/29 W	20/27 SW	21/28 SW	24/32 SW
300	10/17 SE	7/13 SE	4/7 W	8/13 SW	10/16 W	13/22 W	10/18 SW	11/19 SW	13/22 SW
Glen	7/12 E	3/7 E	7/15 W	9/18 W	12/23 W	13/25 W	8/18 SW	10/22 SW	9/22 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	6/1	6/1	5/2	4/-0	2/-4	2/-5	0/-6	1/-6	1/-7
900	8/4	8/4	7/5	6/3	6/1	5/0	4/-2	3/-2	3/-2
600	13/9	12/9	9/6	8/5	8/4	8/3	6/2	6/1	6/1
300	13/11	13/12	11/10	10/8	10/8	10/7	9/6	8/5	8/5
Glen	14/13	13/12	12/11	12/10	12/10	12/10	10/9	10/8	10/7
Freezing Level*	2600m	2600m	2400m	2000m	1700m	1400m	1300m	1400m	1400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note lighter winds first part of morning, then winds strengthening over higher ridges and summits with increasing wind-chill.

Forecast for Tuesday 19 Sep 2023
Weather: Cloudy with outbreaks of rain. The rain will be persistent and heavier at first, becoming lighter and patchy later in morning. A further pulse of heavier rain will extend to all ranges during the afternoon.

Maximum wind: Southwest winds 15 to 20mph in the morning, increasing 25mph with gusts 40mph on the tops during the afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Rather misty conditions with poor in heavier rain at first and again during the afternoon. Pockets of good visibility developing for a time around middle of the day. Also extensive cloud cover above about 600 to 700m, lifting higher up the hills for a time around middle of the day.

Temperature: **Glens:** 8 Celsius rising to 15 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 7 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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